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कि: क्या 14 जनवरी, 1982 के द्रिब्युन हैं जाणित वेताजी धमाण चन्द्र बोस के बड़े फाई श्री एस.सी. बोस के इर ब्युत्तवय की तरक सरकार का द्यान आकृष्ट किया गया है कि जापात से बेटाजी की तथा— कथित मज्मी को नाने की अनुमति व दी जाये, और

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वी पी०नी० वरसिंह राव:

विदेश संत्री :

१का: जी,हां।

श्रा: सर्भार हे होताजी सुगाण वनद्र वोध े हहे प्राई श्री एक सी, वोस हारा व्यक्त विवासी पर गौर किया है। लोक सभा

अताराधित एवं देवन १

25 फरवरी, 1982 - - 6 फाल्यन, 1903 म्याजा को लोजसमा की बैठक में उत्तर दिए जाने हे जिए

बेतानी पुसाल यहह दांच जी करते

पूर्व संख्या: 734 श्री चिरंगी तात शुनां:

दया विदेश मंत्री यह बताने की कृता करें। ि .

का: क्या 14 जनवरी, 1982 के दिल्यून है जा है जिता जैता जी समाण चल्द्र बोस के बड़े आई श्री एयाती. बोस के इर ब्यालटा की तरक धरकार का द्यान आकृष्ट किया प्या है कि जावाल जे जेता की तथा-किया किया की जाने की अनुसित व दी जाते, और

। आ: यदि हाँ, तो ए एर नरज र की वना विज्ञा है ।

उत्तरः श्री पी०नी० वर्षिंह रावः

विदेश संत्री

श्वाः जी,हां।

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बेताकी पुसाब वहद दोध की कारी

प्रश्त संख्या: 754 श्री चिरंगी लाल गुर्मा:

क्या विदेश संत्री यह बताते की कृता करें ि :

का: क्या 14 जनवरी, 1982 के दिख्यून है जा कित जैता जी संभाष चन्द्र बोध के बड़े माई श्री एथ. ही. योध है इर वदत्वय की तरक धरकार का दवान आवृद्ध किया गया है कि जापाय में में ताकी की तथा-किया मानी को नाने की मन्त्री के वी माने, अर्थ

। आ: यदि हाँ, तो इए उर मरजार श्री वना परितिष्ट्रिया है है

उत्तरः श्री पी०नी० वरसिंह रावः

विदेश संजी

।काः जी,हां।

१७१: सरकार ने जेताजी समान वहद वो े नहे साई भी एउन्सी, बोस द्वारा व्यक्त विवारों पर गौर किया है।

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बेताजी पुकार सहद्र योध जी अन्सी

पुरुष जैत्रयाः 754 श्री चिरंजी लाल भूगाः

क्या विदेश मंत्री यह बताबे की हुए। करें।

ामाः वया ।४ वनवरी, 1982 के दिल्तून है जारा देताची समाण वन्द्र बोध के बड़े आई श्री एथ.सी. बोध हे इर दब्त्व्य ही तरक धरकार का द्यान आकृष्ट कथा यथा है कि जायाय दे देतानी को दथा-कथित मन्नी को नाने की अनुपति न दी जाये, और

। बा: यदि हाँ, तो इस तर मर अर की पना पति किया है ।

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विदेश संत्री

काः जी,हां।

श्रि: सरकार वे बेताजी समाण वनद वो े नहे माई श्री एउ.सी. वोस द्वारा व्यक्त विवारों पर गौर किया है। लोक समा

अवारातिक स्वयं ५

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पृत्रत तंष्ट्याः 754 श्री चिरंजी तात गुर्गाः

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क्या चिदेश संत्री यह बताने की कृता करें। ि

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lon: यदि हाँ, तो का उर मरकार की करा वितिक्रिका है j

उत्तर: श्री पी०नी० वरसिंह राव:

विदेश सर्गाः

।काः जी,हां।

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(TO BE ANSWERED ON THE 21ST DECEMBER, 1978)

*460D SHRI SAVAISINGH SISODIA: SHRIMATI HAMIDA HABIBULIAH: SHRI PRAKASH MEHROTRA:

will the Minister of HOME AFFAIRS (To Home)
be pleased to state:

ASHES OF NETAJI SUBHASH CHAIDRA BOSE

- news item which appeared in the Times of India of the 5th December, 1978 regarding the suggestion made by a retired General of the Japanese Imperial Army, who is the custodian of the ashes of Metaji Subhash Chandra Bose, to the effect that the ashes should be handed over to the Government of India; and
- (b) if so, whether the Government of India propose to take up the matter with the Government of Japan?

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(SHRI DHANIK LAL MANDAL)

- (a) Yes, Sir.
- (b): In the absence of an advance and authentic approach in this matter, Government cannot raise the matter with the Government of Japan.

Jeclaif . (Aletter 411915 POSITION IN THE STARRED QUESTION ADMITTED LIST IN THE RAJYA SARH. NOTE FOR SUPPLEMENTARIES The question reads as under:-(a) whether Government's attention has been drawn to a news item which appeared in the Times of India of the 5th December, 1978 regarding the suggestion made by a retired General of the Japanese Imperial Army, who is the custodian of the ashes of Netaji Subhash Chandra Bose, to the effect that the ashes should be handed over to the Government of India; and (b) if so, whether the Government of India propose to take up the matter with the Government of Japan? The news item referred to in the question is annexed. 1. It refers to the suggestion made by General Fujwara custodian of the ashes said to be of Netaji Subhash Chandra Bose stored in the Renkoji Shrine near Tokyo. The statement was reportedly made to a Malaysian lawyer, connected with the Ex-INA personnel in Malaysia. The circumstances in which the statement was made and released to the Press are not known. 2. In April, 1956, the Government of India, in response to public demand, appointed an Inquiry Committee consisting of Sarvashri Shah Nawaz Khan, Suresh Chandra Bose (elder brother of Netaji Subhas Chandra Bose) and S.N. Maitra, Contd. 2 . .

formerly Chief Commissioner of Andaman and Nicobar, to ascertain the circumstances concerning Netaji's alleged death in an air-crash. Two members of the Committee, namely, Sarvashri Shah Nawaz Khan and S.N.Maitra, came to the conclusion that Notaji met his death in an air-crash at Taihoku (Formosa) on the 18th August, 1945. Shri Suresh Chandra Bose disagrand with these findings and submitted a dissenting report. The majority report was accepted by the Government.

Netaji was, however, not resolved and demands continued to be made for undertaking another inquiry into the matter. Rumours about Netaji's survival and his subsequent appearance elsewhere cropped up repeatedly. In response to a demand for a fresh inquiry by a number of Members of Parliament belonging to different political parties, the Government decided to appoint a Commission of Inquiry to go into the entire matter in July, 1970. Shri G.D.Khosla, retired Chief Justice of Punjab High Court, was appointed as a one man Commission to "inquire into all the facts and eircumstances relating to the disappearance of Netaji Subhash Chandra Bose in 1945 and the subsequent developments

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connected therewith and make a report to the Central Government". The Commission visited Japan, Burma, Thailand, Singapore, Malaysia, South Vietnam and Formosa (Taiwan) and examined 224 witnesses including 100 who were examined abroad. A large number of files and documents were produced and citad in evidence. The Commission submitted its report on the 30th June, 1974. The Commission arrived at the same conclusion that was reached by the Shah Nawaz Khan Committee in 1956 that Netaji died in an air-crash at Taihoku on the 18th August, 1945.

- 4. The Cabinet accepted the finding that Netaji had died in an air-crash on the 18th August, 1945 at Talkoku in Taiwan. The report of the Commission alongwith the memorandum of action taken thereon was laid on the Tables of both the Houses of Parliament on 3rd September, 1974.
- 5. The Khosla Commission in its Report had mentioned that

"(xviii) Two days later, Bose's body was cremated and his ashes were carried to Tokyo in the beginning of September, 1945 where they were deposited in the Renkoji Temple".

6. The Commission did not make any specific recommendation or suggestions for bringing the ashes to India and it was not also a point of reference to the Commission. While submitting the Report for approval Contd...4...

of the Cabinet before placing it in Parliament, a point was raised that the Government might have to take a stand on the question of bringing the ashes to India this it was not pursued.

- 7. The controversy did not, however, end with the publication of the Khosla Commission Report. On the 3rd August, 1977, Shri Samar Guha moved a motion in the Lok Sabha suggesting inter-alia the setting up a three-man Commission for conducting a fresh inquiry into the mystery of disappearance of Netaji Subhash Chandra Bose.
- 8. The motion was discussed at length in 1977 and also in 1978. On the 28th August, 1978 the Prime Minister intervening in the debate observed

"There have been two enquiries into the report of the death of Netaji Subhas Chandra Bose in the air-crash on 18th August, 1945 at Taihoku airfield during his air-journey to Manchuria, one by a Committee presided over by Maj.General Shah Nawaz Khan and the second by a one-man Commission of Inquiry headed by Shri G.D.Khosla, retired Judge of the Punjab High Court. The majority report of the first Committee and Shri Khosla held the report of the death as true; Since then, reasonable doubts have been cast on the correctness of the conclusions reached in the two reports and various important contradictions in the testimony of witnesses have been noticed. Some further contemporary official documentary records have also become available. In the light

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of those doubts and contradictions and those records Government find it difficult to accept that the earlier conclusions are decisive. At the same time Government feels that no useful purpose would be served by having any further inquiry. I hope that in the light of this statement my hon-friend will withdraw his motion".

Thereafter Prof. Guha withdrew his motion. While doing so he declared in the House

"Today, I cannot express my gratitude to the Prime Minister because today ends a crusade that in my humble way I was trying to conduct on behalf of the people of India at least to see that officially and legally Netaji is not declared dead".

Temple in Japan as those of Netaji Subhas Chandra Bose has not therefore been finally established. It will be rather premature to think of receiving the ashes in India and build a suitable memorial for storing them at this stage. This Question can be considered only after the mystery surrounding the disappearance of Netaji in 1945 is finally cleared. As indicated by Prime Minister in the House the Government do not at present contemplate any fresh inquiry into this matter.

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Ministry of External Affairs that as far as the Embassy officials are aware FUJTWARA has not made any such statements in Japan. He is also not the custodian of Netaji's ashes which are kept in Renkoji Shrine in Japan. A Malaysian citizen Karam Singh Veeria visited Japan in October 1978 and met FUJTWARA. He is reported to be of doubtful antecodents and despite his claims has no known links with INA. The Embassy has reported that the statements referred to in the press report have presumably been made by him. The Embassy has also reported that some Japanese associated with INA have privately expressed the desire to see Netaji's ashes ultimately returned to India and FUJTWARA may be one of them.

ANNEXURE

"Netaji's Ashes Must Be Given to India"

KUALALUMPUR Dec. 4 - General Fujiwara of the Japanese Imperial Army, custodian of the ashes of Netaji Subhas Chandra Bose, has suggested that the ashes should be ceremoniously handed over to the Indian Government reports PTI.

The ageing General expressed this with to a Malaysian lawyer. Mr. V. Karan Singh who went to Japan recently to pay house to the Netaji memorial.

He went there on behalf of the ex-INA personnel in Malaysia and Singapors.

Netaji's ashes are kept in an urn at the Renkoji shrine near Tokyo under the care of the chief monk, Matsusuki, for the past 35 years.